

# WAR INEVITABLE, OPINION CABINET CONFERENCE

## Belief in Washington that the Crisis will Be Met Squarely

### PRESIDENT TAKES UP SUBJECT OF MESSAGE WITH CABINET CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH DOES NOT FAVOR ANY CHANGE IN THE U-BOAT PROGRAM

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 30.—While it is assumed from the defensive measures already taken by the military arm of the government, President Wilson in addressing Congress next week, will ask for war against Germany or a declaration that a state of war exists, it is known he will speak along broad lines, dealing lightly with the incidents leading up to the present crisis.

Officials feel now that the time is past when incidents should be discussed and henceforth that only fundamental questions of both present and future American safety should be considered. As a result the president is gathering opinions and suggestions from all sides as to the sort of an answer to make in the coming crucial hours.

The general situation has not been changed by the speech of the German chancellor, von Bethmann-Hollweg, according to the view of officials.

Germany, it was said, has consistently attempted to lay the blame for her acts on other nations. On previous occasions President Wilson has taken the position that Germany is in no way justified in carrying on submarine ruthlessness because of the British blockade.

Only complete abandonment of unrestricted submarine warfare could change the attitude of the United States, it has been said, semi-officially recently and press reports indicate that the German chancellor did not even discuss that possibility.

The attitude of both Congress and public opinion is sought in order to represent both as fully as possible. As to the former the president is anxious not to transgress the constitutional prerogatives of Congress as the war making body. It is realized that in the ultimate analysis the responsibility for deciding rests there.

Public opinion, it was said here as indicated by clippings from newspapers in all parts of the country, is unmistakably in favor of decided action. Belligerency is not confined to the Atlantic and Pacific sections, if the opinions gathered by the administration are a true index.

Demand for action on the part of Congress and the president comes also from the section between the Alleghenies and the Sierras. The views reported from some middle western Congressmen as to the apathy of their constituencies is considered more local than general.

The greatest point under consideration by the administration is whether Germany has not unmistakably shown through a long success of violations of international law, that the United States must definitely unite with the liberal democracies of the world.

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### CUBAN REBELS GIVE UP FIGHT NO PEACE MOVE BY SWITZERLAND TWO BRITISH SUBJECTS SLAIN

(By Associated Press.) HAVANA, Mar. 30.—Virtually all wilders and civilians comprising the rebel forces of Rigo Berto Fernandez in Oriente Province, numbering between 500 and 600, have surrendered to Colonel Varina, at Guantanamo.

(By Associated Press.) BERNE, Switzerland, Mar. 30.—The Swiss parliament has decided by a vote of 88 to 22 to make no move for peace now, following the hearing of reports of the commission appointed to consider the possibility of a peace move.

(By Associated Press.) GALVESTON, Mar. 30.—W. H. T. Buckingham, general manager of the Aguilera company on the isthmus of Tehuantepec, and his cashier, named Bannock, were killed by bandits March 9th, according to information brought by passengers from Mexico. Both were British subjects. Buckingham's body was hacked to pieces after he was killed.

Passengers report there has been a reign of terror for several weeks in the oil fields near Minatitlan, Vera Cruz, which they declare is the result of German influence.

Buckingham and Bannock were killed following a demand for \$5000 by the bandits. Next day the bodies were reported to have killed a Mexican farmer, his wife and father, and cut off the hands of the farmer's two little girls.

### SERIOUS ADVANCE IN COST OF LIVING AIRPLANES SEARCH FOR SUBMARINES

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 30.—The annual food bill of the average family has grown from \$339.30 in 1913 to \$425.54 at present, the department of labor announces in a review of food prices. In ten years, the department's experts estimate, the advance in the cost of food has so far outstripped wage increases that the workman who drew \$3.00 a day in 1907, now finds himself but 69 cents a day worse off.

The heaviest increase in food prices during the last four years is shown in potatoes, the cost of which has risen from \$18.96 to \$44.69. Other large increases are in eggs, from \$33.01 to \$43.07; flour, \$15.12 to \$25.40; butter, \$45.72 to \$54.78. Of the whole list of foods only sirloin and round steak are cheaper than five years ago.

In the period from January 15 to February 15, food prices took a four per cent jump. Onions led with a 77 per cent increase. Potatoes went up 30 per cent. Eggs alone decreased in price.

It is estimated that if a dollar's worth of food bought in 1907 weighed 10 pounds it would weigh a trifle more than seven pounds today.

### WORKERS WORSE OFF THAN THEY WERE WITH WAGES OF 10 YEARS AGO FIVE PER CENT RAISE IN RATES

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 30.—Official announcement that the "supposed submarines" reported Monday night off Montauk Point, were in reality two patrol boats returning to Long Island Sound after trial trips was made today by the navy department.

"As soon as the rumor was received," the department's announcement adds, "steps were taken by means of destroyers and army airplanes to discover any submarine which might be in Long Island Sound or adjacent waters. The navy department has expressed its gratification of the prompt, efficient and timely assistance of the army in detailing its airplanes for this duty, on which they were constantly employed for three days."

"This incident emphasized the need of hydro-aeroplanes for naval scouting purposes."

The German submarine crew which shelled and sank the American ship Algonquin without warning on March 12th, refused to let the freighter go down with the stars and stripes flying, according to Captain Nordberg, who has arrived at an American port on the Orduña. The captain decided not to haul down the flag when he left the ship under fire, but the Germans who went aboard to place bombs, lowered the emblem clear to pardon your son. If I followed the dictates of my heart or allowed myself to be influenced by genuine friendship for yourself and your husband, I would of course, do it, but matters of this sort seem to me my imperative duty is to leave my personal feelings and connections out of the question entirely, and look at the matter from a public point of view with regard to the influence it would have in other cases. From this viewpoint, it seems clearly my duty to withhold a pardon.

### PRESIDENT WRITES MRS. CAMINETTI CANNOT ALLOW HIS PERSONAL FEELING TO PETER HIM FROM ENFORCING THE LAW

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 30.—President Wilson wrote to Mrs. Caminetti why he could not pardon her son. He said that while it tears his heart, it seems an imperative duty to leave his personal feelings and connections out of the question.

The letter said: "It tears my heart to have to say I cannot see my way

### MANHATTAN CON. CASE REMANDED

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Mar. 30.—The admiralty has informed the Associated Press that the Alwick Castle was torpedoed without warning on March 19, in the Atlantic ocean, 320 miles from the nearest land. On the previous day the steamer had rescued the crew of a torpedoed British steamer.

The passengers and crew of both vessels abandoned the Alwick Castle in five boats. One of these boats landed on the Spanish Coast. It originally contained 20 persons, including a stewardess and a child, but five of them died. Survivors in this boat were suffering from frost bite. Three other boats also were picked up during the week, one containing 27, another 29 and the third 20 survivors. In these boats there were five dead. The fifth boat put out from the steamer has not yet been accounted for.

No information was available here as to whether the Algo, also reported sunk, was torpedoed, or the fate of her crew. The ship was owned by Embreza Maritima Oceano, Ltd., of Lisbon, Portugal. There were nine American negroes among the 23 men in the Algo's crew. All the others were Portuguese.

### THE SOCIALISTS IN REICHSTAG ARE FRIENDLY TO AMERICANS

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Mar. 30.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent, quoting Berlin advices, says the reichstag has adopted all three readings of the emergency budget. Both Socialist parties voted against the measure.

"Eduard Bernstein, Socialist," said the advices, "delivered a speech justifying his opposition to the budget. He said experience had strengthened his distrust in the government. America was converted into an enemy by being filled with displeasure toward Germany. A good and sincere peace must be striven for at the speediest moment."

"Herr Bernstein added that the events in Russia under the leadership

### STEEL WIRE NETS TO TRAP U-BOATS

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 30.—The navy department placed orders today for the immediate construction of 100 steel rope submarine nets to cost \$1881 each, to be 1000 feet long, 30 feet wide with a 12-foot mesh.

(By Associated Press.) DENVER, Mar. 30.—Mrs. Stella Newton Smith, a society woman, was found not guilty of murdering her husband, John Lawrence Smith.

### THAW CIVILLY DEAD DECLARES A COURT

(By Associated Press.) PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 30.—Harry Thaw is "civilly dead," and cannot be tried for crime, according to Attorney James Gordon, representing the family at a hearing on extradition to New York. Thaw is still in the hospital.

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**BUTLER THEATRE**  
**TONIGHT**  
In the hollow of her hand the woman holds the man who had unjustly sentenced her to prison.  
**VIRGINIA PEARSON**  
plays the woman in the drama of a woman's revenge  
**"BITTER TRUTH"**  
Also  
**HANK MANN.**  
The celebrated comedian in a two reel Fox comedy  
**"CHASED INTO LOVE"**  
Two features—Two-hour Show  
**TOMORROW**  
Ethel Barrymore, in "Helena Ritchie" and a two-reel comedy, "Murdered by Mistake."  
Matinee 1:30. Night 7 and 8:30  
Admission 10c-15c  
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